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Hui Chen and John W. Lawler

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Group:

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For:

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Matrix Protein

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Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an Amendment for filing in the above-identified application.

- [X] Small entity status of this application under 37 C.F.R. 1.9 and 1.27 has been established by a Small Entity Statement previously submitted.
- A Small Entity Statement to establish small entity status under 37 C.F.R. 1.9 and [] 1.27 is enclosed.

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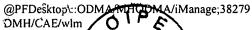
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### **AMENDMENT**

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Sir:

This Amendment is being filed in response to the Office Action mailed from the U.S.

Patent and Trademark Office on January 9, 2003 in the above-identified application.

Reconsideration and further examination are requested.

Please amend the application as follows:

## In the Claims

Please amend Claims 17, 19 and 37-42.